

## STATE OF ARIZONA SCHOOL FACILITIES BOARD

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Subject: Base outline for conversations between the SFB and School Districts when the opportunity is set to review their latest School and site plans.

- 1. There are a clarified number of items that the SFB <u>has a non-participating roll in, but not limited to, the following:</u>
  - a. The SFB doesn't dictate the configuration or the construction type of buildings.
  - b. The SFB doesn't pre-approve additional funds for projects.
  - c. The SFB Staff will not support a project for board approval unless one of the following two criteria is met.
    - 1) Projects submitted for approval must either be designed not to exceed the SFB budget or
    - 2) The district must provide a financial commitment to cover the additional funding.
  - d. It is the opinion of the State of Arizona that adequate funds have been provided for all SFB minimum adequacy school projects.
- 2. The SFB does not automatically provide additional funding when a project's bid exceeds the budget.
  - a. Value engineering will be applied to the project and the project could be required to re-bid in an effort to bring the project back into budget. In some cases, the project will need to be re-designed to lower the project cost.
  - b. No additional funding, from the SFB, will be provided for re-designing and re-bidding.
- 3. While the SFB doesn't dictate design, they may identify changes that could reduce the project cost. On SFB projects, indications are that multiple buildings appear to be more expensive than one and two building schools because of the amount of exterior perimeter.
  - a. ESE panels and electrical and fire alarm runs between buildings.
  - b. Extra plumbing pipe runs between buildings
  - c. Extra concrete flat work, etc.
  - d. Extra site grading.

The SFB would be happy to sit down with the architect and the School district to discuss the matter further.